

REMARKS

Pursuant to the present amendment, claims 1, 8 and 16 have been amended and claims 21-23 have been canceled. Thus, claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. No new matter has been introduced by way of the present amendment. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

In the Final Office Action, claims 21-23 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Pursuant to the present amendment, independent claims 1, 8 and 16 have been amended to incorporate the limitations from dependent claims 21-23. Accordingly, all pending claims are believed to be in condition for immediate allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (713) 934-4055 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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